

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned § Group Art Unit:  
Filed: Herewith § Examiner:  
For: Acoustic Logging Apparatus §  
And Method for Anistropic §  
Earth Formations §

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Att'y Docket No. 1391-27201  
Client Ref. No.: 2001-IP-004081CON  
Date: December 21, 2001

Sir:

Before examining the above-noted application, the Examiner is requested to enter the following amendment:

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification:**

The Examiner is requested to replace the original paragraph in the specification with the paragraph noted below. Appendix A to this Preliminary Amendment contains the replaced paragraph with the added material underlined and the deleted material in brackets.

**Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following:**

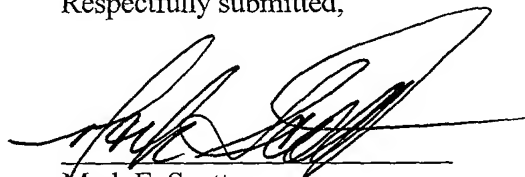
This application is related to co-pending application serial number \_\_\_\_\_, filed December 19, 2001 (Attorney Docket No. 1391-26800) titled "Acoustic Logging Apparatus And Method" and is a continuation of application serial number \_\_\_\_\_, filed December 19, 2001 (Attorney Docket No. 1391-27200), titled "Acoustic Logging Apparatus and Method for Anistropic Earth Formations."

## REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments to the specification are to note the continuation status of this application, and to correct the Attorney Docket number notation in the section titled "Cross-Reference to Related Applications." Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter is introduced thereby.

Applicants believe that no fees are due; however, if any fees are inadvertently omitted or if any additional fees are required, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Conley, Rose & Tayon, P.C. Deposit Account Number 03-2769/1391-27201/MES.

Respectfully submitted,



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The diagram illustrates a 1200-bp DNA fragment. Key features include:  
 - A TATA box (TATAAT) and a CAAT box (CAATAT) located upstream of the transcription start sites.  
 - A GC box (GGGCGG) located downstream of the CAAT box.  
 - Transcription start sites (TSS) for the  $\alpha 1(I)$  procollagen gene (indicated by arrows pointing left) and the  $\alpha 2(I)$  procollagen gene (indicated by arrows pointing right).  
 - Restriction enzyme sites for HindIII and XbaI are marked at the ends of the fragment.  
 - The DNA sequence is shown in a double-stranded format with base pairing indicated by lines.

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